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Dear Dr. Voelz:

Thank you for agreeing to serve as a Panel Member on the Scientific Review Committee (SRC) for the Palomares, Spain Program Review. The SRC consists of four international distinguished scientists, two appointed by the Department of Energy (DOE), and two appointed by the Center for Energy, Environmental, and Technological Research (CIEMAT) of Spain. The other three scientists are: Dr. Emilio Iranzo, Dr. Henri Metivier, and Dr. Chet Richmond.

The purpose of the panel is to review and summarize the scientific and technological aspects of the program in Palomares, and to make recommendations on future directions. DOE and CIEMAT agreed to a Charter which outlines panel tasks, structure, meetings, compensation, and tentative schedule. Upon completion of its work, the panel will release a final report to DOE and to CIEMAT containing its recommendations.

The initial meetings of the panel will be held in Spain the week of March 9-13, 1998. The enclosed book contains an agenda, the Hall-Otero Agreement, the Implementing Arrangement, the Project Annex, the Charter for the SRC, and background information. I hope that this information will be helpful to you.

We anticipate that you will make two trips to Spain. The initial meetings at CIEMAT headquarters in Madrid and site tour of Palomares should take 5 days from March 9-13, 1998. A second meeting may be held in Madrid when the SRC's final report is presented to DOE and CIEMAT in July 1998.

Ms. Linda Sharp of the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) is providing administrative support for the meetings. ORISE will assemble the draft report, edit and format the draft and final reports, provide copies of the final report, and translate the final report into Spanish. ORISE will reimburse your travel and per diem expenses to Spain and will pay your \$1,000 honorarium upon completion of the final report. ORISE staff should already have contacted you concerning travel arrangements. Please direct any questions about your travel arrangements to Ms. Sharp on 423-241-5348.

If you have any questions about the program review, please call me at 301-903-6740 or send me an e-mail message at barrett.fountos@eh.doe.gov.



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Thank you again for agreeing to serve on this panel. Dr. José Gutiérrez López of CIEMAT and I look forward to assisting you to complete a successful program review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Barrett N. Fountos".

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Enclosure

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